

TOWN OF MANSFIELD
Ethics Board
Thursday, July 7, 2011
Audrey Beck Municipal Building, Conference Room B

Minutes

Members Present: Lena Barry, John DeWolf, Saul Nesselroth, James Raynor, Nora Stevens (Chair)

Staff Present: Maria Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager, Mary Stanton, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 4:31pm.

I. SECRETARY

By unanimous vote, the Board moved agenda item IIIC (secretary) to the first item of business. Mr. Nesselroth moved and Mr. Raynor seconded the motion to nominate Lena Barry as Secretary. The motion passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ric Hossack, Middle Turnpike Road, spoke to his disagreements with the Personnel Committee's version of the draft Ethics Ordinance.

Mike Sikoski, Wildwood Road, spoke to his disagreements with the Personnel Committee's version of the draft Ethics Ordinance and other matters. He also distributed a communication to the Board.

Elizabeth Wassmundt, Old Turnpike Road, questioned whether alternate members of the Board should hold officer positions.

III. DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Nesselroth moved and Mr. Raynor seconded the motion to add discussion of public comment to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Nesselroth responded to public comments regarding labor law (such as past practice). Mr. Nesselroth also clarified remarks as to whom (the Council) is the appointing authority of the Board.

Mr. Sikoski's communication will be included in a future agenda.

IV. MINUTES OF 5/5/2011

Ms. Barry, Mr. Nesselroth, and Ms. Stevens approved the minutes of 5/5/2011. Mr. DeWolf and Mr. Raynor abstained from voting on the matter.

V. MEMBER UPDATES

New members of the Board, Mr. DeWolf and Mr. Raynor introduced themselves and shared information on their background and experience. An alternate member vacancy still exists on the Board.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – PENDING CLAIMS AND LITIGATION (FOI Complaint Docket #FIC 2011-178)

The Board unanimously voted to enter into executive session at 5:05pm. All present Board members and Ms. Capriola attended.

The Board re-entered public session at 5:17pm.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:20pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Maria E. Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager *on behalf of Lena Barry, Secretary*